## In the Indiana Supreme Court



IN THE MATTER OF THE	)	
	)	Case No. 20S00-06   -MS-464
APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULES	)	
	)	
FOR ELKHART COUNTY	)	

## ORDER APPROVING AMENDED LOCAL RULE

The judges of the Elkhart Circuit and Superior Courts request the approval of an amended local rule for caseload allocation in accordance with Ind. Administrative Rule 1(E). Attached to this Order is the proposed amended local rule.

Upon examination of the proposed rule amendment requested by the Elkhart Circuit and Superior Courts, this Court finds that the proposed rule amendment, revised Allocation Plan, dated August 1, 2006, complies with the requirements of Ind. Administrative Rule 1(E), and, accordingly, should be approved.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED by this Court that the Elkhart County Caseload Allocation Plan, set forth as an attachment to this Order, is approved effective January 1, 2007, provided further that the rule shall be posted in the county clerk's office(s) and on the county clerk's website, if any, and on the Indiana Judicial Website not less than thirty (30) days prior to the effective date.

The Clerk of this Court is directed to forward a copy of this Order to the Hon. Terry C. Shewmaker, Elkhart Circuit Court, 101 North Main Street, Goshen, IN 46526-3232; the Hon. Evan Roberts, Elkhart Superior Court, 315 South Second Street, Elkhart, IN 46516-3138; the Hon. Stephen E. Platt, Elkhart Superior Court, 315 South Second Street, Elkhart, IN 46516-3138; the Hon. George W. Biddlecome, Elkhart Superior Court, 101 North Main Street, Goshen, IN 46526-3232; the Hon. Olga H. Stickel, Elkhart Superior Court, 101 North Main Street, Goshen, IN 46526-3232;

the Hon. James W. Rieckhoff, Elkhart Superior Court, 315 South Second Street, Elkhart, IN 46516-3138; the Hon. David Bonfiglio, Elkhart Superior Court, 315 South Second Street, Elkhart, IN 46516; and to the Clerk of the Elkhart Circuit and Superior Courts.

The Clerk of the Elkhart Circuit and Superior Courts is directed to enter this Order and attachment in the Record of Judgments and Orders for the Courts, to post this Order and attachment for examination by the Bar and the general public, and if available, to publish this Order and attachment on the county clerk's website.

DONE at Indianapolis, Indiana, this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

day of November, 2006.

Randall T. Shepard

Chief Justice of Indiana

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## REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF LOCAL RULES

The Judges of the Courts of Record of Elkhart County have adopted Local Rule changes pursuant Administrative Rule 1, Trial Rule 81 (C) and the *Schedule and Format for Adoption of County Caseload Allocation plans (§ 10 a)* which require changes in such plan based upon more than a forty percent (40%) variance between the Courts based on the Weighted Caseload Management System. The plan submitted is based upon 2005 Weighted Caseload Management Statistics. Request is made of the Supreme Court to approve the following Local Rule.

The revised Allocation Plan re-allocates the use of Non-Judge Judicial Resources. Those resources are:

One (1) full time Juvenile Magistrate

Two (2) full time Court Magistrates

One (1) part-time (.6) Title IV-D Court Commissioner

Total: 3.6 available

The re-allocation is as follows:

Circuit Court:

1.15 (1. Juvenile Magistrate, .1 time of Court Magistrate and .05 time of the Title IV-D Court Commissioner.)

Superior Court 1:

.15 ( .1 time of the Court Magistrate and .05 time of the Title IV-D Court Commissioner)

Superior Court 2:

.4 (.2 time of Court Magistrate and .2 time of the Title

IV-D Court Commissioner)

Superior Court 3:

.1 (.1 time of Court Magistrate)

Superior Court 4

.5 (.5 time of Court Magistrate)

Superior Court 5:

.6 (.6 time of Court Magistrate)

Superior Court 6:

.7 ( .4 time of Court Magistrate and .3 time of Title IV-D

Court Commissioner)

The plan will not be effective until Approval of the Supreme Court with a requested effective date of January 1, 2007.

The Local Rule indicated above has been published for comment pursuant to the schedule established by T.R. 81 (B) for not less than forty-five (45) days.

Submitted this 1<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2006

For the Court of Record of Elkhart County

Submitted by Judge David C. Bonfiglio, Elkhart

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David C. Bonfiglio